AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please delete the title of the invention and replace it with the following: USE OF ISOMALT AS A PREBIOTIC

Please insert a paragraph beginning at page 1, after the title of the invention:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a 35 U.S.C. §371 National Phase conversion of PCT/EP2004/006030 filed June 4, 2004, which claims priority of German Application No. 103 28 180.0 filed June 16, 2003. The PCT International Application was published in the German language.

On page 1, after the Cross Reference To Related Applications, delete "Description" and insert:

Field of the Invention

On page 1, before the second paragraph beginning with, "Human food and other consumable products and animal...", please insert:

Background of the Invention

On page 6, between lines 6-7, before the paragraph beginning with, "The present invention is therefore based on the technical...", please insert:

Summary of the Invention

On page 13, between lines 25-26, before the paragraph beginning with, "In connection with the present invention, a "prebiotic" means an...", please insert:

Detailed Description of Preferred Embodiments

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On page 25, between lines 8-9, before the paragraph beginning with, "The invention is explained in more detail by means of the...", please insert:

Brief Description of the Drawings

On page 25, after line 20, before the section title "Example 1", please insert:

Examples

The following Examples are provided only for the purpose of illustrating the invention. They should not be deemed as limiting the invention in any manner.

On page 50, please delete "Claims" and insert:

What is claimed is:

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